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5. (AMENDED) A jewellery allow according to claim 1, further comprising an additional element selected from the group consisting of palladium and nickel.

8. (AMENDED) A jewellery alloy according to claim 5, wherein the additional element is palladium and is present in an amount of between 0.5 wt% and 4.0 wt%.

9. (AMENDED) A jewellery alloy according to claim 5, wherein the additional element is nickel and is present in an amount of between 1.0 wt% and 2.0 wt%.

10. (AMENDED) An article comprising a metal component, wherein the metal component comprises a jewellery alloy according Claim 1.

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- 13. /(AMENDED) An alloy comprising 16.5 21.5 wt% aluminum, 0
- 4.0 wt% palladium(0)- 2 wt% nickel and the balance gold.
- 14. (AMENDED) The alloy of claim 13 containing 18.5 19.5 wt% aluminum, 0.5 4.0 wt% palladium and the balance gold, except for impurities and incidental elements.
- 15. (AMENDED) The alloy of claim 13 containing 18.5 19.5 wt% aluminum, 1.0 2.0 wt% nickel and the balance gold, except for impurities and incidental elements.